11.1.2007 Present: Mr.P.S.Patwalia, Senior Advocate, with
Mr.Ajay M.Goel, Advocate, for the petitioners.

Mr.M.S.Chandel, Advocate General, with
Mr.J.K.Verma, Dy. Advocate General, for the respondents.

After arguing for a while and on being told that the subject matter of this petition relates to the jurisdiction of the Himachal Pradesh Administrative Tribunal, Mr. Patwalia, learned Senior Advocate appearing for the petitioners seeks leave of this Court to withdraw this petition with liberty to approach the learned H.P. Administrative Tribunal by filing an Original Application there. Prayer allowed.

Petition is dismissed as withdrawn. The petitioners are given the liberty to approach the learned Tribunal and file an O.A. there. We also wish to observe and direct that if, in the said O.A. the petitioners file an application for the grant of interim relief, looking to the peculiar facts and circumstances of the case, the learned Tribunal shall take all steps to ensure that appropriate orders, on the merits of the case and in accordance with law are passed in the said accompanying application for interim relief without any delay.

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In view of the order passed in the main petition, this application has become infructuous and is accordingly disposed of.

(V.K.Gupta), C.J.

January 11,2007(g) (V.K.Ahuja), J